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For only 50 cents I will mail
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- 1 Giant Tuberous Begonia, superb white.
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These bulbs are first-class in every respect, and I freely recommend them. They will be mailed to the subscriber as soon as the weather will permit them to be safely forwarded by mail. I guarantee their safe arrival. If you wish simply the collection of Begonias it will be sent (5 bulbs) for 25 cents. If the Gloxinias are preferred alone the collection (4 bulbs) will cost you 25 cents. I do not have a surplus quantity of these bulbs as I have sometimes, and shall not advertise them so freely. Those who wish to be sure of a collection should order soon, as my stock will doubtless be exhausted before the season is past. Anyone who

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Aster, Double Rose-flowered, improved, large double flowers, as handsome as a Rose; 20 fine sorts mixed.
Candytuft, a superb hardy annual, masses of lovely bloom in rich colors. Makes a gorgeous bed.
Dahlia Plain and Blotched, fine single flowers in splendid colors. Easily grown as a Zinnia.
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Mignonette, Sweet, the grand new sorts, red, yellow, etc., in mixture; all deliciously scented.

Nasturtium, Climbing, 15 sorts mixed, all the new shades; an everblooming annual, beautiful, fragrant.
Pansy, Giant Fragrant, 25 shades mixed; immense, rich flowers, most of which are exquisitely fragrant.
Petunia, New Striped Bedding, in fine mixture; very floriferous, constant and fragrant.
Poppy, Dwarf, Ranunculus-flowered, bushy plants, rich, double bloom; all the colors and shades mixed.
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Stock, Double German, from selected, pot-grown plants, mixed colors; large spikes; very fragrant.
Complete Mixture, 1000 sorts, showing something old or new every morning during summer.

That all who love and cultivate flowers may become acquainted with **Park's Floral Magazine**, a practical, illustrated monthly devoted entirely to flowers, I will mail these 14 packets choicest seeds with **Magazine** on trial for only 10 cents. These seeds are fresh and of the finest quality. There are none better to be had, and would ordinarily cost \$1.00 from any reliable seedsman. They are packed in elegant chromo-lithographed envelopes by steam-power packing machines, and a collection of them with the **Magazine** will make a lovely present to a flower-loving friend. The seeds will be enough for a whole flower-garden of rich bloom, and the **Magazine** will give directions for culture. Tell your friends about this offer, and write at once. All persons, whether new or old subscribers, may take advantage of this offer.

Park's Floral Guide, a handsomely illustrated annual, also accompanies the above seed collection. It is full of truthful descriptions and cultural hints and suggestions. It is alone worth the 10 cents asked for all.

GET UP A CLUB.

Anyone of the following sent for club of two, or all for club of twelve:

Aster, Queen of the Market, 23 superb sorts mixed.
Chrysanthemum, Annual, double, single; 25 sorts.
Carnation, new hardy Marguerite, mixed.
Lobelia, New Perpetual-flowering, rich blue, fine.
Morning Glory, New Japanese, all colors.
Nicotiana affinis, deliciously fragrant white bloom.
Pansy, New English-faced, fragrant, large; 25 sorts.
Petunia, New Rich Bedding; superb flowers; 25 sorts.
Pinks, New Japan, large; finest single and double.
Poppy, New Dwarf Eeony-flowered, 15 finest sorts.
Scabanthus, the Butterfly Flower; 15 sorts.
Snapsdragon, new and old, splendid mixture.
Sweet Alyssum, White Carpet, sweet and fine.
Zinnia, New Lilliput Bouquet, finest double; mixed.

I want a club of at least 25 subscribers from every Postoffice, and offer money and seeds and bulbs for such a club. As the premiums are liberal such a club can be obtained by anyone in a few hours. Send for full particulars, blank lists, sample copies and confidential terms. You will be astonished at the liberal offer I will send you. Write at once. Don't delay the work a day. Address

GEO. W. PARK,
Libonia, Franklin Co., Pa.

WATCHES AS PREMIUMS.

For a club of 25 trial subscribers at 10 cents each (2.50), I will send to the agent by mail, postpaid, a handsome watch, suitable for a boy, or for the kitchen or bed room. Retail price, \$1.00. For 35 subscribers (\$3.50) I will mail a stem-wind watch, suitable for a man or for a room. Retail price \$1.50. Both these watches are good timekeepers, and will be found reliable.



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PANSY.



POPPY.



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WE ARE THE WORLD'S LARGEST TAILORS. We buy our cloth direct from the LARGEST AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN MILLS. We control the entire output of several of these mills. We own our materials at the lowest possible cost, and operate the most extensive and economic tailoring plant in existence, and cut to measure and make to order Suits and Overcoats from \$5.00 to \$15.00 (mostly \$5.00 to \$10.00). Pants from \$1.50 to \$5.00. Fancy Vests from \$2.00 up. The days of ready-made clothing are numbered. AT THESE PRICES everyone will prefer to have his garments cut to his measure and made to his order. NO DIFFICULTY IN GETTING ORDERS.

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our entire line of Suits, Overcoats, Trousers and Vestings; full instructions for taking measurements (which you can learn in 5 minutes from the large photographic illustrations in the book), colored lithographed fashion plates, full description of the material underneath each sample, and prices left blank for you to fill in, fixing your profit to suit yourself. This Sample Book is put up in a Fine Canvas Carrying Case, which also contains Tape Measure, Order Blanks, Business Cards, Stationery, Advertising Matter and Agents' Guide and Instruction Book, with Net Confidential Price List, also complete "Salesman's Talk." Our instructions are so plain and

suggestions to the salesman so thorough, that anyone can immediately make a success of the work. **YOU REQUIRE NOTHING.** Just take the orders and send them to us; we make the garments promptly and send them by express, C. O. D. subject to examination, and if not perfectly satisfactory they can be returned to us at our expense. Neither the agent nor his customer assume the slightest risk. **WE TAKE ALL THE CHANCES OF THE TRANSACTION.** We either ship direct to your customers, collecting your full selling price and send you weekly check for all your profit; or, if you prefer, we ship direct to you at your net confidential price, allowing you to make your own collections. You can add a liberal profit to your confidential price.

NEARLY ALL OUR MEN MAKE \$40.00 EVERY WEEK IN THE YEAR. THE OUTFIT IS ABSOLUTELY FREE.

We make no charge for our complete Agent's Sample Book and Outfit, but in order to protect ourselves against many who might impose on us by sending for the outfit (which costs us between \$5.00 and \$6.00), with no intention of working, but merely out of idle curiosity, we require each applicant to cut this ad out and mail to us, giving the names of at least two parties as reference, and further agree to pay a temporary deposit of One Dollar and express charges for the outfit when received. If found exactly as represented and really a **big money maker**. While this nominal deposit of \$1.00 for the outfit is not one-fifth of its cost it insures the good faith of applicants, and we promptly refund your \$1.00 as soon as your sales amount to \$25.00, which amount you can take the first day out.

IF YOU WISH TO MAKE \$5.00 TO \$20.00 EVERY DAY cut this notice out and mail to us at once, giving us the names of two or more men as reference. Address,

AMERICAN WOOLEN MILLS CO.
 Corn Exchange National Bank }
 REFERENCES: Any Express or Railroad Co. } West Side Enterprise Bldg., CHICAGO, ILL.
 33 W } of Chicago. }
 Any business man or resident }

When answering this advertisement please mention Park's Floral Magazine.

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Think of it! each & every one can get a handsome silk dress, full 10 to 15 yards length, all desirable shades **free**. This is no catch-penny scheme but a straight forward offer made to advertise an honest business, for every one to accept we mean it. We make our offer to all answering this advertisement; you can prove the truth of every word we say by sending your name & address at once & we will convince you by return mail. We can show proof of thousands of dresses given away. Don't fail to accept this chance, it's the last opportunity you will have to get a genuine silk dress absolutely free. This will not appear again, write at once to **FREE SUBSCRIPTION AGENCY, NEW YORK CITY, STATION D.**

COUPON
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1006

actly as described, sent same day this coupon is returned, all charges prepaid. This extraordinary inducement is made because we want a big circulation quick & if you wish a genuine silk dress free don't delay

CONDITION—Only pin this numbered coupon to your name & address & with it you must send 10 cts. silver or stamps to help pay advertising expenses & you will receive free subscription to a beautiful & interesting illustrated magazine, together with our offer of a handsome silk dress, 10 to 15 yards, extra, sent same day this coupon is returned, all charges prepaid. This extraordinary inducement is made because we want a big circulation quick & if you wish a genuine silk dress free don't delay

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with a stick of **ELECTRIC SOLDER** and a Candle. You can make a leaky pail or pan as good as new in one minute. No iron, no acid, no rosin, no skill or experience required. You can earn \$5 doing soldering for your neighbors with the Solder and Instructions we send you **FREE**, with a six months' subscription to **HOME CHEER** for 10 cents. **H. Franklin Jones, Dept. 38, Brooklyn, N.Y.**

PAYS

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SILVER WATCH FREE!

These Watches are Solid Silver, Ladies' or Gents' size, and at retail would cost you \$10.00 or \$15.00. To induce our Persian Perfumed Perfumery we will send you this Watch **Free** if you take advantage of our marvelous offer. If you want one **CUT THIS OUT** write to us without delay. With your letter send us your name & postoffice address and we will send you on consignment, to sell for 5 cents each, 20 cases of Persian Perfumed Perfumery and our offer. After you receive the beautiful Watch we shall expect you to show it to your friends and call their attention to this advertisement. The Watch is sent Free, by Registered Post, on your complying with our advertisement, and the marvelous offer which we send, and it is Fully Warranted. You will be more than satisfied. Address at once, **PERSIAN PERFUMERY CO., 19 Warren St., New York.**

MENTION PARK'S FLORAL MAGAZINE

\$2000 IN GOLD FREE

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HISTORY PUZZLE

We will give \$2000.00 in gold to anyone who will arrange the twenty-one (21) letters printed above into the names of three well known states of the United States. This is an instructive and interesting problem of history. One of these three states was settled by the Spanish in 1564, first became a territory March 8, 1822, and then a state March 3, 1845. Another of these three states was settled by the French, 1780, became a territory May 7, 1800, and a state Dec. 11, 1816. The other one of these three states was settled by the English in 1733, and was one of the original states. Each one of these three states have the same number of letters in it, and each also ends with the letter "A." Remember we do not want one cent of your money. There is only one condition which will take less than one hour of your time, and that is that you shall sell eight subscriptions at twenty-five cents each to one of the oldest and best known Boston magazines which has been established over twenty-two years. Your friends will thank you as they will each save twenty-five cents by trading with you. In making the three names the letters can only be used as many times as they appear. After you have found the three correct names, you will have used every letter in the twenty-one exactly as many times as it appears. The money will be paid March 20, 1900. Should more than one person succeed in finding the three correct names the money will be equally divided. We make this liberal offer in order to introduce one of the most charming and interesting family magazines fully illustrated with art colored covers into every family and home where it is now unknown. Try and win! If you will make the three correct names and send them to us at once, who knows but that you will win the prize? Anyway we do not want any money from you and a contest like this is very interesting. As soon as we receive your solution, if it is correct, we will mail you at once the eight coupons. You will know your solution is correct if you receive the coupons. We sincerely hope you will as we shall surely give the \$2000.00 away any way. Do not delay. Write at once.

RIGLEY PUBLISHING CO., Cor. Oliver and Purchase Streets, Boston, Mass.



\$2000 FREE A SQUARE AND HONEST IDEA COUNT THE SQUARES.

We will divide Two Thousand Dollars, payable April 30, 1900, among those who correctly count the exact number. For instance if ten correct answers are received each receives Two Hundred Dollars; if forty correct answers are received each receives Fifty Dollars, and so on. It is difficult to find exact number, so correct answers will not be many. We require each contestant to send twenty-five cents for a consignment of our Tablets for Health and Beauty as object is to introduce same.

EXTRA PRESENTS.—We will give every contestant a Solid Gold Shell Ring set with Im. Ruby, Pearl, Opal or Diamond, value \$1.00, so everyone is sure of a present and also a cash award if answer is correct. Distance makes no difference. We have no further requirements or conditions like other advertising schemes. You are sure of present and if count is correct cash award check will be sent immediately. Address DAYTON CHEMICAL CO., New York City.

SEND ONE DOLLAR

Cut this ad out and send to us, mention No. 2104, state your HEIGHT and WEIGHT, state number of inches around body at BREST, taken over regular coat, close up under arms, and we will send you this coat by express C. O. D. subject to examination, examine and try it on at your nearest express office and if found perfectly satisfactory and the most wonderful value you ever saw, pay the express agent OUR SPECIAL PRICE, \$3.50, less the \$1.00 you sent or \$2.50 and express charges.

THIS MACKINTOSH IS LATEST STYLE, made from HEAVY WATER-PROOF TAN COLOR GENUINE WHITELY COVERT CLOTH, double breasted, velvet collar, fancy plaid lining, waterproof, sewed, strapped and cemented seams, suitable for both RAIN AND OVERCOAT. Sizes, breast measure, 34 to 48 inches.

AGENTS WANTED.

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DUNDEE RUBBER CORPORATION, CHICAGO.

(This Company is thoroughly reliable.)



MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine for twenty years and could not do without it.

Mrs. A. Bartman.

Delta Co., Mich., Nov. 21, 1899.

Mr. Park:—Your Magazine has been of great assistance to me in flower culture. When I am in doubt as to the proper treatment of a plant, by referring to the pages of the Magazine I can usually find just what I need.

Mrs. David Griffith.

Montgomery Co., Ind., Nov. 22, 1899.

Mr. Park:—I consider your Magazine one of our household treasures, and would not do without it.

Mrs. Will Carter.

Wabunsee Co., Kan.

Mr. Park:—I don't see how any cultivator of flowers can do without Park's Floral Magazine. I have been a subscriber for six years, and will continue a subscriber as long as I can afford the small sum of 25 cents. It is certainly the most attractive and instructive of floral publications.

Mrs. J. C. Sweeney.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 4, 1899.

Mr. Park:—I find your Magazine a great help to me. In every number there are suggestions well worth the price of the year's subscription.

Mrs. D. C. Baker.

Allegan Co., Mich., Nov. 23, 1899.

Health for Ten Cents.

Cascarets make the bowels and kidneys act naturally, destroy microbes, cure headache, biliousness and constipation. All druggists.



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and will gladly tell you all about my work. It's very pleasant and will easily pay \$18 weekly. This is no deception. I want no money and will gladly send full particulars to all sending 2c. stamp. MRS. A. H. WIGGINS, Box 23 Benton Harbor, Mich.

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1-2 Actual
Size of
Watch and
Chain.



Watch and Chain FOR ONE DAY'S WORK.

We send this Nickel-Plated Watch, also a Chain and Charm to Boys and Girls for selling 1½ dozen packages of BLUINE at 10c. each. Send your full address by return mail and we will forward the Blaine, postpaid, and a large Premium List.

No money required. We send the Blaine at our own risk. You go among your neighbors and sell it. Send us the money that you get for it and we send you the Watch, Chain and Charm, prepaid.

This is an American Watch, Nickel-Plated Case, Open Face, Heavy Bevelled Crystal. It is Guaranteed to keep Accurate Time, and with Proper Care should last ten years.

BLUINE CO., Box 386, CONCORD JUNCTION, MASS.
The Old Reliable firm who sell honest goods and give Valuable Premiums.



144 PIECE FREE DINNER SET

Full size for family use. beautifully decorated & most artistic design. A rare chance. You can get this handsome dinner set at one dozen fine plated tea spoons for selling our Pills. We mean what we say & will give this beautiful dinner set absolutely free if you comply with the extraordinary offer we send to every person taking advantage of this advertisement. To quickly introduce our Vegetable Pills, a sure cure for constipation, indigestion & torpid liver, if you agree to sell only six boxes of Pills at 25 cts. a box write to-day and we send Pills by mail, when sold send us the money & we send you one dozen plated tea spoons together with our offer of a 144 piece dinner set same day money is received. This is a liberal introduction to every lady in the land & all who received the spoons & dinner set for selling our Pills are delighted.

AMERICAN MEDICINE COMPANY, DEPT. M

32 WEST 13th STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

GOSSIP.

My Christmas Flowers.—I have in blossom in my window-garden Paper white Narcissus, double Roman Narcissus, Roman Hyacinths, double and single Chinese Sacred Lillies, and white Cyclamen. I planted the bulbs late in September and early in October. I think if I could have only two bulbs I should choose the Roman Hyacinth and Paper-white Narcissus. Both are sure bloomers and of the easiest culture, requiring only good drainage, good porous soil, a period of rest in the dark for root formation, and plenty of water after being brought to the light. I covered my Hyacinths with paper cones, and this caused them to produce the flowers on fine long stems. I had never grown the Paper-white Narcissus before, but I never intend to be without it again. It is all it is recommended to be. The flowers are single, pure white with yellow stamens, borne in clusters on long stems, and are just as dainty as any flower can be. One bulb threw up three flower stems. Ethelyn.

Middlesex Co., Mass., Dec. 25, 1899.

One Yellow Jasmine.—In the fall of 1895 a friend gave me a thrifty-looking plant of yellow Jasmine which was about six inches high. I placed it on a little table at a south window, back of other plants, where it seemed well content. In the spring of 1896 it commenced to blossom, and continued without interruption until February, 1897. In March, 1897, it budded again, and since that there has not been a month but what it has been in bud and bloom. In the fall of 1897 I repotted it, the earth being full of roots, though not matted. Last spring I gave it fresh earth again. I have never disturbed the roots when repotting—just slipped it in a larger pot. It sits out under a big tree in summer, and is freely watered. I have never pruned it, but as soon as the last blossom drops from a cluster I pick off the empty stem. The parent plant blossoms only in the spring.

Margaret A. McLean.

Webster Co., Iowa, Dec. 22, 1899.

Mr. Park:—I have been a subscriber to your Floral Magazine for several years, and I think it just grand. I can't do without it.

St. Clair Co., Ill.

A. Runkwitz.



MRS. J. A. DUVALL,
Warrenton, N. O.

She writes:—"I can say nothing but praise for your wonderful treatment, the Sana-Cera Cure. Any one to have seen me three months ago, would scarcely take me for the same person. I would have died if it had not been for you, as I was rapidly going into Consumption. I can now sleep well and my nerves are steady, my lungs are entirely healed, and I am more fleshy than ever I was in my life."

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If you have any
CHRONIC Disease or
Lingering Ailment of
the HEAD, THROAT
or LUNGS, as Catarrh,
Bronchitis, Consump-
tion, Asthma or Deaf-
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CURE will cure you.

FREE HOME TREATMENT.

To prove the merits of the Sana-Cera Cure we will give free treatment to a limited number of the readers of this paper, only asking in return that when cured you will recommend us to your friends. All medicine and necessary instruments to effect a cure absolutely FREE. Send a description of your ailment, name and P. O. address, at once, before too many are in advance of you, or write for our Question Blank, and prompt attention will be given you free. Address **Dr. M. Beatty**, Pres't National Dispensary Dept' 1. 125 W 12th St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

BALDNESS CURE.

A trial package of a new and wonderful remedy mailed free to convince people it actually grows hair, stops hair falling out, removes dandruff and quickly restores luxuriant growth to shining scalps, eyebrows and eyelashes. Send your name and address to the Altenheim Medical Dispensary, 909 Butterfield Building, Cincinnati, Ohio, for a free trial package enclosing a 2-cent stamp to cover postage. Write today.

OUR RECENT INVESTIGATION

Of the Remarkable Ohio Invention, Described in a Former Issue,
Was So Very Satisfactory We Have No Hesitancy In Indors-
ing the Same as Just What All Our Readers Need.

It Is Truly a God-send to All Humanity, and the Greatest Blessing Ever Be-
stowed Upon Man, Woman or Child.

Many letters have reached us concerning this wonder-
ful Cabinet, described in a former issue. A search-
ing investigation has been made, and we can assure
our readers it is just as represented and everything
claimed for it.

All who want to have perfect health, a clear skin,
beautiful complexion, prevent Colds, Fever, La
Grippe and Disease, and enjoy all the marvelous
cleansing, beautifying and curative elements of the
famous Turkish, Russian, Sulphur Vapor Baths, per-
fumed or medicated if desired, at home, in your own
room for 3 cents each, should have one of the remark-
able 1902 Style Square Quaker Turkish Bath Cabinets.

Water Baths simply wash the surface. The Cabinet
Bath, perfectly safe both Summer and Winter,
opens the 5,000,000 pores of the skin, sweats out all the
poisons and effete matter which cause disease,

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strong, substantial, ready for use when received.

Over 27,000 Physicians and 1,000,000 happy users
recommend this Cabinet for bathing purposes.

Dr. A. B. Stockham, Chicago, editor Tokology, rec-
ommends it highly, as also does Hon. B. F. Shipley,
Morro, Ill.; Rev. H. Gardner, well-known Evangelist;
M. C. Gropner, M. D., 375 Centre St., Boston; Con-
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Mrs. S. H. Tripler, 36 Park Row, New York City,
had Rheumatism and other troubles 20 years, was
cured in one week, says this Cabinet is a God-send to
every woman, worth \$1,000.

G. M. Lafferty, Covington, Ky., was compelled to
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failed, was relieved by the first bath, entirely cured in
14 days.

J. W. Van Tassel cured himself of Lumbago and his
friends of Blood and Skin Diseases, Kidney Affections,
Nervousness, Piles, etc., and made \$1,500 selling this
Cabinet in 6 months. No one afflicted can afford to be
without this Cabinet for a single day.

The makers guarantee results and assert positively,
as do thousands of users, that this Cabinet will cure
Nervousness, Weakness, Aches, Pains, Colds and
Rheumatism (they offer \$50 reward for a case not re-
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Grippe, Neuralgia, Headaches, Indigestion, Piles,
Dropsy, all Blood, Skin, Liver, Kidney and Urinary
troubles. Has wonderful power to prevent and cure
Women's complaints.

A Face and Head Steamer is furnished if desired,
which cleanses the skin, beautifies complexions, re-
moves pimples, blackheads, eruptions, and is a sure
cure for all skin diseases, Eczema, Catarrh, Asthma,
Bronchitis and Throat Troubles.

All our readers should write today to the World
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valuable book and testimonials; or, better still, order
a Cabinet at once.

The price is wonderfully low. It is a regular \$12.00
Cabinet for only \$5.00, complete with stove, formulas
for baths and various ailments, and plain directions.
Face Steamer, \$1.00 extra.

This firm is perfectly reliable; capital \$100,000.00,
ships same day your remittance is received, and re-
funds your money after 30 days' use if the Cabinet is
not just as represented. Send for Booklet any way.

This Cabinet is a wonderful seller for agents, and
the firm offers special inducements to both men and
women upon request, and to our knowledge many are
making from \$100 to \$150 every month and expenses.



cleanses you inwardly and outwardly, purifies your
blood, makes your eyes bright, your skin clear, your
nerves strong, sleep sound, appetite good. One week's
use will make a new being of you.

This is a genuine Cabinet with a real door; hand-
somely made; best materials; rubber lined; heavy steel
frame; top curtains; in fact, all the latest improve-

MEN AND WOMEN MAKE \$1500 A YEAR SURE.

GOLD, SILVER, NICKEL AND METAL PLATING. NEW QUICK PROCESS.

MR. REED MADE \$88 FIRST 3 DAYS Mr. Cox writes: "Get all I can do. Plate 90
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WINTER.

Aye, I know its winter here,
Brave old winter stern and chill,
Not a Lily on the mere,
Not a flower along the hill;
But within my window, see,
Such a wealth of green and red,
That I fancy just for me
Summer's radiance is spread.

Bradford Co., Pa.

Lalia Mitchell.

CHINESE PRIMROSE.

THE Chinese Primrose is the brightest and most free flowering of all pot plants during winter. Plants do well in a cool room and will bloom freely in a north window, while most flowers require the warm sunshine to coax them into bloom. The seeds should be sown in shallow boxes of light soil during the early spring months, barely covering the seed from view, and if the weather is warm it is best to keep the seed box shaded through the hottest part of the day. The earth should be moist always, neither wet nor dry at any time. When the young plants show two or three leaves they should be planted in small pots. Tin cans are much better, as the soil keeps moist longer, although they do not look quite so well. Then transplant them to larger cans or pots as they increase in size. Water with fertilizer of some kind once a week. It is best to keep the plants in a cool, shady place during the summer months. When summer is past remove to the sitting room window and they will bloom abundantly and reward us for the extra care given them

during the summer months.

Primula obconica is a lovely and profuse blooming Primrose, bearing long, slender stems, about nine inches in height, beautiful single flowers, white shaded with a slight tinge of lilac. This is really an ever-blooming plant producing clusters of flowers continuously throughout the year.

The New Baby Primrose, *Primula Forbesii*, is a dainty little Primrose for the window and, also, a very desirable winter-blooming plant. The color is a delicate rosy-lilac.

A Subscriber,

New York City, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1899.

[NOTE.—The *Primula obconica* has recently been much improved, the flowers are now much larger than those produced upon the original plant, while they are of various colors, ranging

from white to violet red. Some of the varieties also have flowers with fringed petals, as shown in the engraving.—Ed.]



CHINESE PRIMROSE.

Double Daisies.—Plants of Double Daisy will bloom the first summer, and continue to bloom for years if given slight protection during winter. They are very pretty when in bloom, and deserve to be grown much more than they are. They commence blooming in April, and continue to bloom until summer. They are not very particular as to soil, but should be grown where they can have partial shade.

W. C. Mollett.
W. Va.

Strobilanthes

Dyerianus.—My plants of *Strobilanthes Dyerianus* became infested with mealy bugs. I went over every leaf and branch with warm soap suds and kerosene. It completely rid the plants of bugs

Dubuque, Iowa.

G. G. S.

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Pruning Prairie Roses.—The Climbing Prairie Roses, known as Baltimore Belle, Prairie Queen, Tennessee Belle, etc., should be pruned in summer, just after the flowers fade. Cut away the oldest vines, allowing only the vigorous shoots, and vines that are throwing out strong branches to remain, and even these should have their less vigorous parts cut away. Do not prune with a lenient hand. Use the knife boldly and severely. You will thus get a robust growth, and a luxuriant crop of bloom the next season. By pruning just after the flowers fade you do not reduce the quality of bloom, as the growth of the blooming branches is always made later in the season. If the work is neglected till spring prune away only the dead or sickly branches, and use the knife more freely later, at the proper time.

Sago Palm.—The various species of Cycas are known as Sago Palms. The plants are mostly propagated from seeds, and thrive in a compost of turfy loam and sand. Drainage must be thorough, as they will not endure soggy soil. Avoid over-potting. If given too much room about the roots the soil is liable to become stagnant. They like heat, and the temperature should be from 55° to 60° at night during winter, with more heat in daytime. In summer the night temperature may be from 60° to 70°. The plants do well in a dry temperature, and grow fast or slow, in proportion to the temperature, the growth being much slower in a cool temperature.

Tonic for Roses.—As a tonic or fertilizer for Roses there is perhaps nothing better than finely ground bones, in the form of bone dust. A little of this stirred into the surface soil will be found very beneficial to growing and blooming plants.

TO HAVE WINTER-BLOOMING CARNATIONS.

GET seeds of the best double-flowering Carnations early in the spring and start them in a hot-bed or window box. As soon as danger from frost is past bed them out in a sunny place in good garden soil enriched with rotten stable manure, and when shoots appear pinch them out, to promote a bushy growth. In September lift the clumps and pot in six-inch or seven-inch pots, using good drainage and a compost of rotted turf, manure and sod. Water freely, and syringe often, to keep them free from pests. Such plants will make a fine display of flowers during the winter months if given a window with a southern exposure. Do not let the temperature fall below 50°, if possible, at night when in bloom. The florists' Carnations are treated in the same way, except that they are mostly started from cuttings taken in February. If young plants are obtained in spring and bedded out, as recommended, they will make fine clumps to pot in early autumn for winter blooming. In the spring bed out again, and many of the plants will be in good condition for service the second winter.

Sweet Peas.—These generally grow and bloom more satisfactorily if planted as early in the spring as the ground can be prepared. Make rather deep furrows running north and south, or north-east and south-west, and sow thickly in these, covering only from a fourth to a half inch deep. If covered too deep the peas will rot. When two or three inches high hoe the soil in about the stems, and continue this process at intervals as the plants grow, until the furrow is filled and the surface of the soil level. The roots will then be deep in the ground, and the heat of summer will not be so likely to check its growth and cause the yellowing of the foliage and death of the plants. In shallow planting, where the sun's rays are hot, the heated soil almost invariably destroys the plant, before their blooming period has arrived.

Coloring of Flowers.—The coloring of flowers is largely due to iron in the soil. To promote richness and depth of coloring iron filings applied to the surface is beneficial. A red clay is mostly highly charged with iron, and can be used with advantage as a part of the potting compost. In nearly all cases, however, the sun's rays are essential in developing the colors of foliage and flowers. Without the sun's coloring influence the composition of the soil, no matter how favorable, would not promote the rich and varied coloring in foliage and flowers.

THE NEW PENTSTEMONS.

ABOUT the year 1828, a handsome species of Pentstemons growing two feet high, and bearing large, open, blood-red flowers, was introduced from Mexico under the name of *P. Hartwegi*. In its native land, tradition tells us, it was found by Humboldt upon high mountains, at an altitude of 11,000 feet. The plant is, therefore, well suited for culture in the colder climate of the temperate zone, and the beauty of the flower, together with the tendency of the plant to hybridize has lead the florist to attempt its improvement, and their efforts have met with flattering success. The plants are now of compact growth, wonderfully floriferous, and the flowers are as large as a Foxglove, and of various colors, as dark red, scarlet, violet, white and light colored. Being readily propagated from seeds, and blooming the first season when early sown, these



BLOOMING PLANT AND FLOWER OF PENTSTEMON. HARTWEGI.

new hybrid varieties of Pentstemon will doubtless become very popular. Once established, too, the plants will do service for several years, blooming for some months each season. In a well-drained bed the plants are hardy as far north as New York, but should have some shelter in winter in our far northern States. The engraving is a fair representation of a blooming plant and flower.

Auratum Lily.—After blooming a potted Auratum Lily should be watered enough to keep the soil from drying out and thus destroying the large, fleshy perennial roots at the base of the bulb. Keep in a cool place during winter.

Giant Tuberous Begonias.—These plants rarely do well when the tuber is placed below the surface of the soil. They also require good drainage.

EXTERMINATING GREEN LICE.

FOR exterminating aphides or green lice the best remedy to use is tobacco. A tea may be made of the leaves and stems with which to syringe affected plants. The leaves and stems may be ground to powder, and dusted upon the foliage, to be removed with the pests a few hours later by washing with clean water. The best way to use the remedy, however, is in the form of smoke. Cover the plants with a close tent made by pasting newspapers together, then place a pan of live coals smothered with tobacco inside. The confined smoke will soon destroy the lice. Repeat the application of tobacco in any of these forms at intervals of two or three days, until every vestige of the pest disappears. The remedy is effectual if properly and thoroughly applied, and is also to be recommended as a preventive.

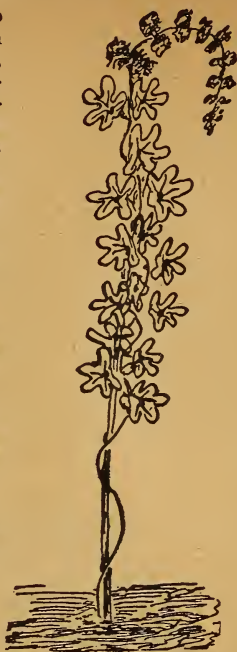


Sacred Lily after Blooming.—After blooming in water the bulbs of Chinese Sacred Lilies are hardly worth giving further care, and might as well be discarded. They will throw out leaves again, but rarely produce flowers, unless cultivated for several years. In a mild climate the bulbs may be kept in a growing condition till spring, then bedded out to take care of themselves.

Poinciana.—*Poinciana pulcherrima* is a leguminous shrub from the West Indies, easily started from seeds, and not difficult to grow. Plant the seeds in a window box early in spring, and bed the plants in a rich, sunny garden spot. In the autumn lift carefully and keep over winter in a dry, airy, frost-proof cellar. In the South the plant is hardy, and should not be disturbed.

LYGODIUM PALMATUM.**VIOLET CULTURE.**

PERSONS who have been on Market St., in Philadelphia before Christmas must have noticed the greens sold by the colored sidewalk fakirs, among which are wiry stems set with palmate leaves, delicate and graceful. These are vines of a native climbing or twining Fern, found in the adjacent hills of New Jersey. For years these lovely sprays have been sold here by the poor colored folks, but the supply seems to be inexhaustable. The plants are found in deep, moist peaty soil in shaded, sheltered places. It will trail upon the ground, but prefers climbing a twig or rough stick. The terminal leaves are reduced in size, and bear the masses of yellow spores from which the plants propagate.



VIOLETS are usually started from runners, which push out freely from well-developed plants. These are taken off and potted or bedded out as desired. The soil should be rich and rather tenacious. If sandy and loose add well-rotted manure to it. If too close or tenacious add sand. Plants for winter blooming should be bedded out in the spring, and encouraged to grow during summer. In the fall they may be lifted and benched in a cool greenhouse or conservatory, or a frame may be placed over them as a protection. In the South they do not need protection. The treatment must be adapted to the climate. The east side of a hedge fence or thicket fence will afford better shelter to the plants than a house or wall. Bed in rows and cultivate to encourage the growth of fine clumps. In winter those grown under glass must be watered freely, and avoid wetting the foliage, and prick off and remove all decaying leaves. Pick the flowers as they develop. Single-flowered Violets are more graceful than double ones, are more erect, and more fragrant. Of double sorts Lady Helen Cambell is the most desirable, being practically free from disease, and blooming abundantly. California and Princess de Galles are popular single large-flowered sorts.

Wintering Coleus.—Plants of Coleus should not be set in an ordinary pit or cellar to keep over winter. The cool, damp temperature of such places will chill the plants, and cause the leaves to drop. Set them on a high shelf in a warm window, and on cold nights remove to a warm shelf in a plant box or closet heated by a lamp, in case, the heating facilities of the room are insufficient to insure a favorable temperature. Plants of Coleus delight in a warm temperature, and are greatly injured by chilling. With the proper temperature anyone can keep them over winter satisfactorily.

Little Gem Calla.—This Calla has been recommended by florists and grown by amateurs for many years, but the Editor has yet to receive a glowing report of success with it. Nearly all who mention it speak disparagingly of it. Those who wish a satisfactory, free-blooming, beautiful Calla should not select the Little Gem. It is nearly always disappointing.

Potting Compost.—A good potting compost for Geraniums, Fuchsias, Abutilons, Roses and other plants is prepared as follows: Place a layer of sods from the woodside or an old pasture in a convenient place, cover with a layer of well rotted manure, then a layer of sand, and in this order build a mound that will provide as much soil as you need. On top make a depression that will retain the rain water as it falls, and allow it to pass down through the heap, instead of running down the surface. When half rotted stir the compost by forking it over, then let stand a while and stir again. This compost will suit most of the common house-plants, and can be changed to suit all by adding loam, or sand, or leaf-mold, as the requirements of the plant may necessitate.

Buttercup Oxalis.—When this Oxalis fails to bloom, as it sometimes does, repot it, using sandy woods earth or loam, if such can be obtained. One bulb may occupy a three-inch pot, or six bulbs a six inch pot. Keep well watered and in partial shade. Enrich the soil with bone dust if a fertilizer is needed.

Rose.—When the foliage of a Tea Rose begins to turn brown it is as well to cut the plant back and remove all of the old leaves. New shoots will then form which will be strong and clothed with healthy green leaves. Buds and flowers will follow.



THE QUEEN OF FLOWERS.

Daffodil, Daffodil, white and so sweet,
Queen of the garden and pride of the street,
Over the stone wall thy beauty I greet.

Daffodil, Daffodil, once I was young,
In an old-fashioned garden thy praises I sung,
My earliest memories you are among.

A square, flat-roofed cottage facing the sea,
Where once lived a child full of innocent glee,
A child who was happy, contented and free.

And behind a broad garden of flowers so sweet,
Such Roses and Pæonies I think ne'er to meet,
They have vanished, departed like childhood so fleet.

But I think, of them all, that now I care more
For the clump of white Daffodils facing the door,
And shedding their fragrance on that rocky shore.

Daffodil, Daffodil, bend not your head,
For youth and youth's joys my tears are all shed,
Can sorrow or weeping e'er bring back the dead?

Daffodil, Daffodil, when I am old,
When life for my hand no more duties will hold,
May you and your whiteness my spirit enfold.

*Marion Stuart Wanson,
Essex Co. Mass. Jan. 4, 1900.*

THE CHRISTMAS CACTUS.

Some sing of Violets dainty and fair,
Some of the proud, blushing Rose,
Some of the Lily so white and so tall,
And the place where the sweet Daisy grows;
But give me a song that thrills through the heart
With its passion, and beauty beside,
The song that will tell of the Cactus so green,
That bloomed at the Christmas tide!

When winds howl without and the keen air is
chill,

The blossoming Cactus is gay
With bright, bell-like flowers of tropical hue,
That brighten the short, dreary day;
Then sing me a song of passion and strength,
A short but forcible rhyme,
That tells of the grace of the Cactus green,
That blossoms at Christmas time.

*Vera Warren Payne.
Chenango Co. N. Y.*

DOWN WHERE THE WITCH- OPPLES GROW.

The brooklet sung its song all the merry daytime
long,

And the timid peewee flitted noiselessly,
And the Adder-tongues all slept where the dank,
dark shadows crept

Toward the Trilliums nodding joyously;
So, go I should,

Down,

Where the Witchopples grow in the wood.

There were velvet mosses green, dabbled over
with the sheen

Of the sunbeams fitting through the downy
boughs,

And the Partridge Berries red lit the velvet
mossy bed,

(I'd been sent, you know, to hurry home the
cows),

But stop I should,

Down

Where the Witchopples grow in the wood.

How the silence of the hills, all the shadowy
silence fills,

How like "serried hosts" the great old Mapl. s
stand,

With their mighty arms outspread, broad above
a dreamer's head,

Like a benediction, silent, awful, grand,
Then I loitered, 'cause I could,

Down

Where the Witchopples grow in the wood.

When we reached the pasture bars late enough
for evening stars

To be peeping when the summer sun went
down,

Father said "God bless the youngster. Where'd
you get them! Well, I guess

She's been hunting cows over all the town."

Then I stood, and had to 'fess:

"Down

Where the Witchopples grow in the wood."

Dubuque Co. Iowa. Maude Meredith.

HEARTSEASE.

Dressed for church one Sabbath morning,

Soul and body robed in black,

For my life was darkly shadowed,

When a sweet voice called me back;

Coming from her flower borders,

Where the purple Heartsease grew,

Sister brought the royal blossoms,

All empearled with morning dew.

As she pinned them on my bosom,

"Sister, you should always wear

Purple Heartsease, for they suit you";

And as if it were a prayer:

"May you ever wear the Heartsease

In your life and in your heart."

Years have passed, but still the memory

Bids affection's tears to start.

Sister, I have found the Heartsease,

Heartsease true, with heart of gold;

In the valley of Contentment

Doth its petals fair unfold;

But it yields its richest fragrance

'Neath the shadow of the Cross,

Where the gold its heart encloseth

Makes earth's gold seem worthless dross.

Powhatan Co., Va.

Alice R. Corson.

ABUTILONS.

PLANTS of Abutilon make imposing specimens when well-grown, being especially desirable for a pedestal in the bay window, or for verandah plants in summer. Most of them, however, have a tendency toward a straggling habit, but this can easily be overcome by judicious pinching. The low, shrubby form is most admired, as this habit furnishes a far greater number of blooming points than the tall, tree-like form. To secure a shrubby habit, pinch out the top when the plant is a few inches high, and pinch every branch when it has made a few inches growth.



ABUTILONS.

Mrs. W. A. Cutting.
Middlesex Co., Mass., Oct. 24, 1899.

Narcissus princeps major.—This is a grand sort and very easily grown, succeeding well either as a window plant for winter flowering or planted out in the open ground. I had one great golden yellow bloom last February which was the admiration of the neighborhood for more than three weeks before its beauty faded. I have the best results in forcing *Narcissus* with a soil composed principally of thoroughly decayed sawdust. Potted in this and given about two months in a cool, dark cellar in which to make roots, you will find it easy to have your home gay with flowers for many weeks.

Emma Grogan.
Rensselaer Co., N. Y., June 16, 1899.

Experience with Sweet Peas.—I planted my Sweet Peas in a trench which was not filled to the top. After the plants appeared they were given plenty of manure. You should have seen them grow. Our four-foot trellis was soon covered, and they lay over with great masses of flowers. They were spoken of by all who saw them as far beyond any they had ever seen. We have a cistern near the Sweet Peas. By aid of tin, bent for the purpose, we were able to fill the trench in which they grew, and the dry weather had no effect on them. We have thrown blankets over them when there were hard frosts, and now, in October, we are still having lots of bloom.

Mrs. George Griffis.
Fulton Co., N. Y., Oct. 5, 1899.

THE YELLOW OLEANDER.

THERE is no decided yellow among the *Neriums*, but the *Thevetia neriiifolia* is so nearly like the true *Neriums* that it is commonly called the "Yellow Oleander." It is not, however, so classed in the floral catalogues, nor do reliable florists sell it under that name. Yet cultivators have it among their Oleanders, and as it harmonizes so well with them the difference is scarcely noticed. *Thevetia* is the same kind of shrub that the Oleander is and the close resemblance between the two lies in the upright growth of many branches from the main root, clothed from near the ground to the tip end with long, narrow, pointed leaves of leathery texture and dark green hue. The blooms are single and not unlike the single-flowered Oleanders. They are not borne in clusters on the terminals like Oleander blooms, but put forth at the axils of the leaves up and down the branches, and in bright, shining lemon-yellow few flowers make finer display. The common name of *Thevetia* is "Trumpet flower," and in New Orleans it is quite popular, being hardy and free, attaining tree size, like the Oleander. It is one of the most continuous-blooming plants we have, and quite available as a garden plant, or for pots or tubs. Anywhere and anyhow the *Thevetia* will grow and bloom. Although not a "yellow Oleander," it is safely to be recommended to fill the place of that plant.

Mrs. G. T. Drennan.
Orleans Co., La., Nov. 22, 1899.

[NOTE.—*Thevetia neriiifolia* is a shrub or small tree found in the West Indies and Tropical America. It belongs to the same natural order as the Oleander (*Apocinacæ*), and bears tubular, saffron-yellow flowers three inches in length. It was introduced about a century and a half ago. Young plants may be propagated from half-ripened wood inserted in sand, and protected by a bell-glass. They thrive in fibrous loam.—Ed.]

Foxglove and Canterbury Bell.—Last spring I secured some seeds of Foxglove and Canterbury Bell, and planted in cigar boxes in the house in March. When the hot-bed was made up in April the boxes were set in it and left there till time to plant in the garden. The seeds had germinated well, and I had thinned out the plants several times, but still they looked so tiny when planted in the garden that I did not have very high hopes for them. I set the little plants in clusters and thinned as they grew until only one plant was left in a place, and how they did grow—great, thrifty plants with dark, luxuriant leaves almost as large as Mullein leaves, and of course I am expecting great things of them next spring.

Mrs. Marshall.
Indiana Co., Pa., Nov. 24, 1899.

OUR NATIVE ASTERS.

HERE in central Illinois cultivation has almost succeeded in rendering extinct most of our native flowers. But there are still left to us our beloved Goldenrod and purple Asters. They are found along the roadsides only. Because of the great value of the land all other places have grown too precious for these wild beauties. So they beautify our roadsides, thus making more enjoyable our rides during September and October.

We have, I think, five distinct shades of purple Aster. One is almost white, the next is but slightly tinged with purple, the next shade is decidedly purple, while the next is so intensely purple as to be nearly black, and one shade is a very beautiful rosy purple. One might suppose at first that soil or position had the effect of producing these various shades. After watching them for several years I feel sure that each shade is dependent on nothing for its color. They are distinct shades, and come true year after year. When they begin blooming and the Goldenrod nods its beautiful plume in the breezes, then, indeed, are Nature's flowers worthy of all admiration.

Lina.

McLean Co., Ill., Sep. 1, 1899.

[NOTE.—More than fifty species of Aster are enumerated in Wood's Botanist and Florist. It is more than probable, therefore, that the various Asters noticed by our correspondent in Illinois were of separate and distinct species.—ED.]

Mildew.—Mildew is liable to attack plants subjected to a too low temperature and an oversupply of water. Sudden changes of temperature, or exposure to chilly drafts are also predisposing causes. Prevention is better than cure here as elsewhere. But should mildew begin to show among house plants the most effective treatment is the application of flowers of sulphur with a small bellows, care being used to reach every portion of the plant. Keep the soil barely moist. The addition of tobacco dust to the sulphur will result in the destruction of any aphides that may be about the plants.

Mrs. W. A. Cutting.

Middlesex Co., Mass., Sep. 21, 1899.

Rooting Tea Roses.—How many realize that Tea Roses, or any other sort, can be grown from slips as readily as a Geranium, and it takes but little longer. Do not be afraid to cut your Roses well back after blooming, and then take these cuttings to start new plants. Keep well watered, using pretty sandy soil. Keep the slips covered with glass for several weeks, lifting the glass each day to keep them from mildew, and replacing again at night.

M. A. Lewis.

DeKalb Co., Ind., Oct. 23, 1899.

GOLDFUSSIA.

DURING the first fall and winter I had Goldfussia it was an ordinary-sized pot plant, and bloomed prettily. The next summer it was left in the pot, and did not do so well. The following winter when it was ready to bloom it froze, and at springtime was a most unhappy-looking object. I put it in a bed with the Chrysanthemums, and it grew into a lovely symmetrical bush about eighteen inches high. It had plenty of sun and moisture all summer. In September I lifted it very carefully, and put it in a ten-inch pot, with charcoal drainage. It wilted a little, but by giving it plenty of water and sprinkling the leaves it revived in a week, and when it was time to bring it into the house it was quite thrifty. It is setting hundreds of buds now, and will be beautiful when it blooms. I give it great quantities of water, all the sun possible, and liquid manure once a week. No insects attack it, and in every respect it is wonderfully satisfactory.

Georgina G. Smith.

Dubuque Co., Iowa, Nov. 10, 1899.

Experience with Filifera Palm.

—I have cultivated Palms for two years. I first filled a common peach can with garden soil mixed with about one-fourth sand, then filed the seed until I could see the white, and planted it. It soon came up. I left it in the can until fall, when I shifted it into a pot that would hold half a gallon, always using the same kind of soil, and treating it just as I did other plants, with the exception of its bath of milk, which I give it twice each week during the winter months—one-third sweet milk to two-thirds water, applying with a small sponge. It now stands three feet high, and has six character leaves. Pretty well for an amateur, don't you think?

Fulton Co., Ill.

D. B. M.

Sweet Williams.—Sweet Williams with us bloom in May and June, and sometimes all through the summer. The colors are brilliant shades of red and white, with dainty markings. They are the showiest members of the Pink family, are perfectly hardy, and grow anywhere. The clumps are rich and handsome. They make fine beds with borders of white May Pinks like a fringe against the grass. They are pretty for the mixed border, and the clumps are always nice looking. The seeds germinate easily, and no collection of hardy perennials is complete without them.

Iredell Co., N. C.

E. F. W.

Saltpetre.—Saltpetre is a good insecticide and fertilizer for house plants? Dissolve a little in water, making just strong enough to taste a little.

H. M. Elliott.

Bradford Co., Pa.

PERENNIALS.

If everyone knew how satisfactory perennials were, there would be more grown. August is the month for sowing them, and a permanent bed should be selected. There are a great many perennials, but half a dozen standard ones are all that is needed. For along the edge, two low growing perennials are Alyssum saxatile, a deliciously fragrant yellow Alyssum, and perennial Candytuft, white. The Phloxes should stand at the back ground, scarlets and whites. Discard all the rose and lavender shades, they are so inharmonious. It is wise to leave space at the back of this border for Dahlias, whose tubers are kept over winter in the cellar; and also Nicotianas.

Next to the Alyssum and Candytuft may be grown the lovely June Pinks, or any Pinks. They are low-growing, but send up long-stemmed flowers. Back of them should follow Calliopsis lanceolata, and perennial Poppies, the scarlet and yellow making a gaudy display. Foxglove and Monkshood and Campanula are lovely perennials, but in a bed of scarlets and yellows their shades of blue might be out of place. But Ox-eye Daisies and Black-eyed Susans, our common Field Daisies, should have a place, as well as a clump of Golden-rod. The blue perennials, with a bunch of Spider Root (wild) and the garden Lilies might occupy another spot in the yard. The principal thing is to get the seed planted in August, and the plants well established before cold weather sets in.

Georgina G. Smith,

Dubuque Co., Iowa.

[NOTE.—As a rule it is better to sow seeds of perennials in May and June than in August, though the latter month will answer when the work has been delayed. The plants started earlier in the season are better established and will endure the winter with safety, while they are more certain to bloom.—ED.]

A Dish of Salt.—If furnace heat is employed in a room where plants are kept, an open dish containing a handful of salt will not only tend to purify the air, but will increase the moisture.

Lizzie Mowen.

Allen Co., Ohio, Dec. 13, 1899.

MIGNONETTE.

HENRY WARD BEECHER used to say that he would like to mow and rake Mignonette like hay. I think the great man was more poetical than practical, for the cut or bruised stems and leaves of Mignonette are anything but fragrant. However, the blossoms are as sweet as a breath from Araby the Blest, a warm, spicy perfume like that of no other flower. Many persons find great difficulty in growing this old-fashioned plant. It doesn't like too rich a bed. It must be light, and free from weeds, and in the sunshine, moderately rich, and if fertilizer from the stables is used it must be old and in small quantities. Sow the seeds where they are to bloom as soon as danger of frost is past. I like to "broadcast" the seeds, scattering a few seeds of white Alyssum with them for a sort of irregular border. Rake them in lightly, and if the weather is dry sprinkle with warm water. Scatter seeds in beds of any flower to fill up vacant places, but have a big bed all to itself. The very best sort is the Common Sweet, for we do not expect from Mignonette a handsome, showy blossom any more than we expect fresh and youthful beauty in our grandmother. But what we want is genuine sweetness, and this is sacrificed in beautifying the Mignonette. The Giant White is very pretty, and the



NEW HYBRID PERENNIAL POPPIES.

fern-like foliage is evergreen here, but it is not a very fragrant flower. The Golden is handsome, but it has not the real Mignonette perfume. The Common Sweet sort is very cheap, and it can be bought by the ounce. When it grows well the bed is a tangle of pleasing green with the spikes of dainty blossoms all over it. It blooms early and continues until frost. Ours were large, and combined nicely with anything. In the bed were several plants of scarlet Verbena, and we thought the combination a good one.

Ellen F. Wyckoff.

Iredell Co., N. C., Dec. 29, 1899.

[NOTE.—Mignonette starts readily from seeds, and the plants thrive in any rich soil, even when given but little care. Those who are fond of fragrant flowers would do well to get an ounce of seeds of the common variety costing ten cents, and sow them in odd places about the yard and garden. The flowers will make the air redolent with exquisite perfume the entire summer.—ED.]

THE COMFORT OF FERNS.

OLD MAID'S PINKS.

I WAS invited out to tea one evening and was charmed with the dainty jardiniere of Ferns in the center of the round tea table. Upon closer inspection I discovered the Ferns were our native ones, a Maidenhair among them. My host graciously explained to my admiring remarks her care of the same. She had gone to the woods years before and carefully raised enough roots to fill a tin dish, and had filled it up with woods earth. A jardiniere was bought to fit the tin pan, which was set in it whenever it was used upon the table. The ferns grew in a cool hall all summer, and each fall she set the pan away in the cellar where the Ferns died down, as nature intended them to do.

To those who want Ferns the year around there is a certain number from which to select. The care of a Fern is peculiar to itself. It should have woods earth if possible, sharp with sand and full of small stones for drainage. Once potted, a Fern should never be disturbed. It is a mistaken notion that Ferns need to be kept soaking wet. They need just enough water to keep the soil from becoming dry and hard. Then, too, a Fern wants a cool shady place, a north, or east window suiting it, and in summer it will only demolish the long crisp fronds to set it out in the sun and wind to scorch and break. As a frond represents months of growth it is wise to give the most gentle care. A familiar Fern with no common name is *Adiantum fulvum*. It has a fine narrow, short leaf on its fronds, and the color is a bronzy green. It grows well and is fine and dainty in appearance. All ferns need sprinkling to keep the foliage free of dust, and bright. While I have seen Ferns recover from a freeze, it is not advisable to expose a Fern to a temperature below 50°.

Georgina G. Smith,

Dubuque Co., Iowa.

***Yucca filamentosa*.**—My *Yucca filamentosa* measured eight feet, and had 415 blossoms on. It was so long before I could get it to bloom. I would manure, and dig around it, so I became tired and left it alone. The grass grew all around it, and all through the leaves. Then I had no more trouble.

E. Y. Skeen.

Chester Co., Pa., Jan. 1, 1900.

Planting Tulips.—First, I took my floral note-book and made a row of Tulips on paper, writing the name of each Tulip in its proper place; then I carefully placed them in the same order in my real garden, so I shall know every one by name when he pops his head up in the spring.

Emma B. French.

Gilliam Co., Ore., Jan., 2, 1900.

MY first recollection of a flower garden at home was, when a small child, many years ago, my older sister had some Marigold and Old Maid's Pink seeds given her by a girl friend, and with great expectations we had a spot of ground prepared for a garden and planted them. The first thing in the morning after breakfast, and sometimes before, we would run to the garden to see if any tiny green leaves were to be seen, and finally we saw them peeping through the sand, and we felt as delighted as some people would with a valuable prize, for they were really a prize to us; and when we had watched them day after day, and finally saw the pretty flowers unfold, we thought nothing was ever seen more beautiful. The Marigolds have always been a common flower ever since, but in a few years through neglect, we lost the seeds of the Pinks, and as other flowers took their place they were forgotten.

Some months ago they suddenly came to my recollection, and since then I have looked through different catalogues and made inquiry of flower-friends, but can find no one who remembers them, neither any description of them in the catalogues. The plants grew about two feet tall and the bloom was a single flower, nearly a rose red when blooming, and in a day or two turned quite purple. The seed pods were oblong, nearly an inch long, very full of black seeds, growing in rows like corn on the ear.

Mrs. J. B. S. Hardaway,

Plymouth Co., Mass., Nov. 6, 1899.

[NOTE.—*Agrostemma coronaria* is probably the flower above referred to as Old Maid's Pink. It is a beautiful biennial with cottony foliage, and beautiful showy flowers, easily raised from seeds.—ED.]

Plant Covering.—Last spring I planted a small patch of Sweet Corn in the back yard. It not only furnished good, fresh corn for the table, but in the fall I pulled the stalks, stored them in a dry place until December, when I used them to cover my bulb beds, putting on a thick covering of leaves first. These were also raked up from the yard in the fall and put in covered barrels until wanted. A few loose boards gives this covering protection from the wind.

Lizzie Mowen.

Allen Co., O., Dec. 22, 1899.

Montbretias.—These somewhat resemble *Gladolus*, but are smaller in size and bloom more profusely. There are but two colors, yellow and red, in various shades. They are easily grown, and multiply very rapidly, and require only slight protection, as they are nearly hardy.

W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Dec. 16, 1899.

THE WILD VIOLET.

I'm in love with a flower that's wild in the meadows,

The color is a delicate blue,
Its life gently passes in humble contentment,
Charmed by the brook song and fed by the dew.

I remember in childhood when finding these wildlings,

In paths where my footsteps would stray,
How I nestled them closely in fond admiration,
While the angels were hovering not far away.

Standstead Co., Can. Thomas Stafford.

FLORAL NOTES.

PANSIES will not bear smothering. A few leaves around the plants held in place by boughs will be sufficient.

Try giving a blanket of manure to all the so-called hardy plants, and note the difference next spring. During winter the roots are active, unless frozen, storing up strength for summer.

Keep the hardy bulbs in a cool place. Remember they bloom in early spring. The hot, dry air of our living rooms is apt to blast the precious buds. The soil should be kept moist, not wet, except for the Sacred Lily and all the Narcissus family. They delight in mud.

Now, as some of the bulbs are ready to bring to the light many of the other plants, such as Geraniums, Amaryllis, Fuchsias and pot shrubbery may be sent to the cellar to rest. But the Rose Geranium, Pelargoniums and double Petunia always die with us when thus banished.

Medina Co., O. Gertrude Haight.

Biennials.—Why do we see so few biennials? Chinese Pinks, though flowering the first season, usually live over the winter, and those plants will furnish an abundant crop of flowers before the seedlings are budded. Our grandmothers loved the Mullein Pink. A bed of that would be a novelty now, with its gray, woolly leaves, and flowers of the most intense "Petunia" red. But you must think of it enough the season before to put the seeds in the ground. It will almost take care of itself. The Sweet Rocket is another good old-fashioned biennial, resembling perennial Phlox on a small scale; colors, white and pale lilac.

Helena L. Todd.

Westchester Co., N. Y.

Coccinea Phlox.—I received a small plant of this from the florist in the spring, and when it was about six inches tall it began to bud, and bore an immense head of clear red blooms which remained fine for a long time. When it faded I cut it off, and in a few weeks another bunch appeared which bloomed all fall. The little plant did not have any chance to grow at all.

G. G. S.

Dubuque, Iowa.

VINES.

COUNTRY dwellers can have perennial vines for the transplanting. Wild Grape, the native Clematis, Virginia Creeper and the Hop, all have their special excellence. The climbing Bittersweet, *Celastrus scandens*, though not of much account for shade, is a pretty vine, and the scarlet fruit, hanging on till mid-winter, is attractive in the gray days of autumn or the snowy ones of winter. The wild Cucumber vine affords a dense shade and attractive flowers, but the seed requires the frost. If planted in the spring, I am told it requires a year to germinate, though fall sown seeds start early in spring. I do not know if soaking in hot water would take the place of the winter's cold. The Moonseed, a vine occasionally found along our streams, has odd leaves and insignificant flowers. It forms a dense shade. Of the climbers to be obtained of florists, almost anyone can afford a Honeysuckle and one Rose. The variegated-leaved Honeysuckle is of slower growth and shyer bloom, but the beauty of its foliage outweighs these objections in my mind. My choice for one climbing rose would be Seven Sisters. It is very hardy, grows freely, and begins blooming young, while its bouquet-like clusters shading from deep pink to palest rose, are deliciously sweet.

Helena L. Todd.

Westchester Co., N. Y., Jan. 26, 1899.

Anemone Whirlwind.—This variety of *Anemone Japonica* has a more hardy constitution than its parent, and is also more robust, while the flowers are very distinct, being semi-double, about two and a-half inches across, and of a pure white color, and produced in the greatest profusion from August until severe frost. The plant grows from two and a half to three feet in height, and as the flowers are borne on long, clean stems, are well adapted for cutting. In cultivation the plant does best when grown in a partially shaded situation and very deep, well enriched, light, loamy soil.

Chas. E. Parnell.

Queens Co., N. Y., Nov. 22, 1899.

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LETTER NO. 28.

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Dear Editor:—They say I am a successful flower cultivist; but whatever measure of success I have attained is largely due to Park's Floral Magazine. I have been an interested reader for many years, and have some numbers of it published in 1879. Of course, we must adapt ourselves to our surroundings, and not attempt to do here as we would be obliged to do in N. Dakota, or other sections having a different climate. We have had but little frost here this fall, and the Hyacinths go off you this fall, and showing their pretensions above ground already. Y. B.

Multnomah Co., Ore., Dec. 12, 1899.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am anxious to hear more about the flowers in California, especially from that part where the great ocean is in view, and the flowers always bloom. I once read of a house all covered up by an immense Lamarque Rose, so that you could only see the doors and windows, the luxuriant green branches being in bloom the year round. Also of a fifty-foot row of Callas in bloom at Christmas, and of strawberries picked from the garden for New Year's dinner. So I would like letters, long letters direct from those who are enjoying these good things.

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Allen Co., O., Dec. 13, 1899.

Lizzie Mowen.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am nine years old. I have a sister and brother older than I, and a brother younger. We have a cow and three cats. We had some nice flowers in summer, and mamma got some Tulips and Hyacinths this fall, which are all in the ground. I go to school, and am fifth grade. Papa has a shop. It is very chilly to-day. I will send for some seeds in the spring. I am a dear lover of flowers and plants.

Eunice Ferguson.

Grundy Co., Ill., Nov. 23, 1899.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl twelve years old. I saw in a paper last spring your offer of the Magazine and ten packets of seeds. I sent for them, and am more than satisfied with the result. I like your Magazine very much. We have some flowers that we found in our pasture, which is a prairie sod. Nearly all the flowers you sent us grew. I was much charmed with the Sweet Peas and Butterfly flowers.

Irene Craig.

Vermillion Co., Ill., Nov. 20, 1899.

Dear Mr. Park:—Mamma gets your lovely Magazine, and I like it so much. I have a little brother, he has a goat which he likes, but I like flowers best. Your little friend,

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Dear Mr. Park:—I always like to read the letters in the Children's Corner. I am not very well, and have not been to school for two years. I have three sisters. One is married. I have also a little niece and a nephew, of whom I think a great deal. Their names are Ruth and Harry. The bulbs and plants which you sent us are growing nicely, except two which froze. We had a good many flowers this summer, and have a lot of house plants. I love flowers and also like to read and sew. Fannie Ebersole (age 13).
 Stephenson Co., Ill., Oct. 23, 1899.

Mr. Park:—Mamma thinks lots of flowers. She has a Rose that she thinks very much of. It grew to be quite a large bush. Mamma has read the Magazine for four years, and has received a great many premiums, and I think Mr. Park is a good man. Earl Ross (age 11).

Clarke Co., Iowa, Dec. 30, 1899.

Mr. Park:—I got one of the seed collections last year, and in it was blue Ageratum. I think it is a most beautiful little flower. I have taken your Magazine over a year. I like to read the Children's Corner very much. I think I must be like Zillah Camp, of Tuscola county, Michigan—I can hardly wait for the Magazine to come, I like to read it so well. Ina Phillips (age 15).

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Dear Mr. Park:—I go to school every day and like to go very much. Mamma takes your Floral Magazine and we are all anxious for its arrival. Mamma can hardly work till she reads it. We have seventy nice plants, among them a good many which we received from you including some fine double Petunias. We were anxious to see your picture and have received it in the Magazine. I hope my letter will not fall into the waste basket as I have never written for the Magazine before. Bessie L. Nolte (age 13).
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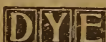
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Queen Co., N. Y., Jan. 10, 1900. Ob. Server.

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Cheshire Co., N. H., Jan. 6, 1900.



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Mr. Park:—I am a constant reader of the Floral Magazine, and want to tell your friends of my flower garden out here in drouthy Kansas. We live on a rented place, no trees in the yard and no grass except a summer growth of "Foxtail." Our house is too cold for any house plants, but I have started in the yard Roses, Lillies, and other hardy plants, and I generally manage to have a few Geraniums to put in the beds. But my great dependence is in the more common annuals. You will laugh at the mention of Marigolds, Zinnias, Four-o'clocks, and such old-fashioned things. But if you could see my yard from the first of July till November you would only stop to admire, and wonder that such plebeian flowers could be so lovely. Every spring the yard is plowed deep. Under the eaves I plant flowering Beans and Four-o'clocks, with a border of low-growing Zinnias. At each window I try to have two stalks of Ricinus, one on each side. I train the Bean vines on these instead of over the windows, as we like plenty of air and light. The rest of the vines are given strings to climb the wall, and they grow and blossom in a wonderful way. At the gable ends, east and north, I plant Pansies, Geraniums, and all the more tender plants that I may have. Then a walk is laid off around the house. Outside of this I make a border or hedge of Four-o'clocks and tall Zinnias. This serves to keep children and dogs out of the beds, which are laid off as fancy may dictate, with narrow walks between them, and just as many as I can tend, for I have a large yard to work on. They do not require much work, growing so quickly that they are soon out of the way. I just wish some of you who are laughing at my flower garden could see it along in the hot days of August when all your tender flowers are dead from heat and drouth, and my garden is a perfect wilderness of bloom. How the children enjoy picking flowers without restraint! My Zinnias are better every year. I began with only very common ones. Now I have the n striped, quilled, with serrated edges, some as large and fine as Dahlias, and in every tint, from the gaudy orange and red to the most delicate shades of lemon and pink. I've only one objection to them, they are not sweet-scented. But the Petunias and Four-o'clocks are, and the whole yard is fragrant in the evening. If you have a bare yard just try my plan.

Alice Priest.
Sedgwick Co., Kan., Nov. 20, 1899.

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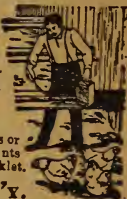
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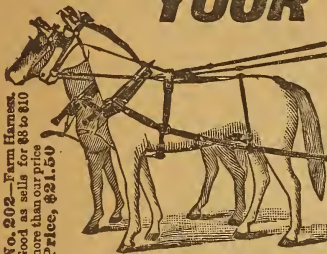


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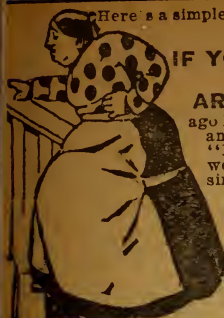
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Orange Tree.—It is not well to waste time in waiting for a seedling Orange tree to bloom and bear fruit. Get it budded or grafted with buds or cions from a good bearing tree.

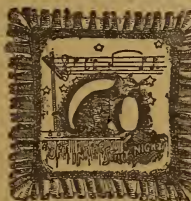
Primrose Clusters.—It is not uncommon for the older plants of Chinese Primrose to produce stems with several whorls of flowers to each. This habit is prominent in some other species, as P. Forbesi and P. Japonica.

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God grant that I willingly scatter the seed
To strew others' paths with bright flowers.

And of all the flowers that blossom for me
I'll bestow with a lavish hand,
And scatter the seeds like the drops of the sea,
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Thus it may be the seeds that I sow
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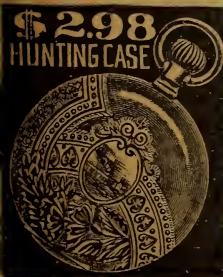
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Olive Fairfax.

Osceola Co., Iowa, Dec. 30, 1899.

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